

Three Teachers Will Instruct Eighty Children When Christian School Opens

Why a Christian School?
Most readers of this newspaper know that last year a school building was erected just outside our town which bears the name "Georgetown District Christian School". Plans are presently underway for the opening of the school next September, when three teachers hope to begin instructing approximately eighty children. We believe that those who have seen the building which will house these pupils and the staff will agree that it enhances the beauty of our community.

In this article, however, we wish to direct ourselves to questions that seem to indicate difficulty on the part of some of our fellow-citizens to accept the value, or even the validity, of a Christian school. There are one rather frequently heard erroneous characterizations used in discussions about our school such as, "the Dutch school", "the Christian Reformed school". We believe that many of the questions and doubts rest on misunderstanding which can easily lead to increasing misgivings. We hope that these lines may serve to clarify our

position to some extent and misunderstanding thereby be removed.
Opposed to Separation
We hereby emphatically state, first of all, that we are diametrically opposed to all separatist separations. We definitely did not build this school so that we might therein train our children to remain or become "dutchmen" in Canada. Such would be unworthy of the place we enjoy in this country which we love and would also be a defeat of our very purpose. The Dutch language will not be

taught or spoken in our school and we shall insist that the curriculum and academic standards meet the requirements of the Ontario Department of Education. It is our sincere desire that the graduates of this school may become responsible Canadian citizens who stand ready to serve God and country in all spheres of life.
Misleading Term
We must also reject the term "Christian Reformed School". Not that we would be ashamed of such a name, but because it is incorrect and misleading. It can, and perhaps does, create the impression that this school is an educational extension of the Georgetown Christian Reformed Church and stands under the supervision of that Church. This is not so, our school is in no sense a "church school". It is our conviction that education is first of all a parental duty. Our school therefore is operated by a society of Christian parents who entrust the supervision and day-to-day operation of it to an elected board of trustees. Membership in the society is open to all Christian parents who subscribe to the Biblical principles set forth in our constitution.

Prepare the Soul
Someone once wrote, "The concern of education is with living human souls who need to be prepared for the task of living and must have as the one objective that alone can justify its functioning, the intention to lead men to the highest, the chief end of all living". This is another way of saying that life in its totality is religious and that education is religious training of the child so that he can properly fulfill his life's task. He is being prepared through the acquisition of knowledge and the disciplining of his character to serve, regardless of who or what the object of that service may be. The main sources for such training are home, church and school or home and school, as the case may be. We believe that pure logic demands consistency of direction in the courses of study given by the several institutions to which the child is entrusted for his education. Inconsistency or possible contradiction will have a very harmful effect upon the child, psychologically speaking. It is not at all difficult to understand therefore, that non-Christian parents object to "religious education" in the public

school. Unless such "religious education" is mere moralism, it stands contradicted by the idea of neutrality which must be the point of departure in the study of all other subjects in a public school. To be consistent, therefore, requires that the accepted world and life view underlie the entire curriculum for the education of the child.
As parents of the Calvin Christian School society we believe that Christianity embraces the whole of life. By Christianity we mean, that through the redemptive work of Jesus Christ is renewing life and the world to the glory of His Name. In our constitution we confess, among other things, (a) That all things have been created to the end that the Triune God may be glorified in and through them. (b) That God, by His wise covenant arrangement has appointed the parents to be responsible for the training of the child to the end that God and His glory shall be central and supreme in the child's total experience. The basis for these statements is "the infallible Word of God". We wish "...to maintain a school for the daily instruction of our children, such instruction to be in accordance with article 3

(from which the above statements are quoted) and directed toward the end that these children may occupy their places worthily in society."
Dear fellow-citizens, we hope that these lines will accomplish the desire expressed earlier in this article. We plead for recognition of our rights to act according to our Christian convictions. We are convinced that Christian education will prove to be a blessing to our community and our country. Requests for further information are very welcome. Christian parents of our community are asked to pray for this humble endeavor and to think seriously about positive Christian education for the children God has entrusted to their care.
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RELIEF AMOUNT WRONG
A story in the May 20 issue of The Herald was in error in stating that the Glen Williams Flood Relief Fund had collected \$4,000 and would have \$8,000 when the total is matched dollar for dollar by the Ontario Government. In fact the money raised by the Flood Relief Committee is short of \$2,000. They hoped to reach the \$2,000 mark by the end of the month.

Auction Plants Donated by Horticultural Society Members
A successful plant auction highlighted a meeting of the Georgetown Horticultural Society, Wednesday May 19, at the Howard Wrigglesworth School auditorium.
All of the material, plants, bulbs, seeds and even some

shrubs and trees, was entirely donated by the members with the proceeds going to the general funds of the Society. The president, Bob Barber, acted as auctioneer for the evening.
The guest speaker for this meeting was a fellow member, Allan Higgs, whose topic was The Care and Cultivation of the Gladiolus.

Gladiolus, he stated, come in a range of over 17 colours and are one of the best and easiest flowers that can be grown.
For successful cultivation, he suggested starting with good disease-free bulbs, or to give them their proper name, corms. A light dusting with 10% Chlor-dane dust at planting time for the control of damping off was recommended. The corms should be planted in lightly fertilized soil low in nitrogen and high in potash and planted approximately 4 inches in depth.
In assessing a good "glad" the points to remember are: — Beauty of colour and shape, good growth habits, ease of propagation, resistance to disease and the spacing of the finest florets on the stem.
The president, thanked Mr. Higgs for such an interesting talk and remarked that the glads Mr. Higgs grows and has shown at flower shows are a real incentive for more people to grow them themselves.

Toward the end of June the Society is again planning to have their Spring Flower Show. The president announced that there is to be a trophy presented this year for the first time. It will be presented to one member growing the best single rose bloom, and the trophy is being donated by the 1965 Board of Directors. During the judging of the entries a garden tour will be conducted.
The Secretary-Treasurer announced that the membership has climbed to 89 and is nearing the long hoped number of 100 members.

Form Bucket Brigade to Check Fire in Old School

Norval Scouts won 8 awards at the Scout Campagna held at Camp Nemo, the Hamilton Scout Camp situated south-west of Rattlesnake Point near Milton on the 24th of May week-end. 700 Scouts of the Greenacres Region attended. The theme was Physical Fitness and the boys worked towards passing their fitness badge, one of the new Scouting badges. Competitions were held in pioneering projects and the Norval Park captured 5 seconds and 3 thirds.

and their leaders will be pleased to see the parents and friends of the boys at the Cuboree.

Norman Shea returned home on Saturday May 22nd from several days in Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital following a head-on car collision on Monday evening May 17th near the 5th Line south of Georgetown. Norman was on his way to a kart Club meeting, when the accident occurred. He suffered a broken jaw and very bad cuts to his head. Glenn Miller of Limehouse, driver of the other car involved, was also hospitalized for a few days.

Norman's sister Lynda also spent a few days this past week in the hospital for an operation on her elbow. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

The Scouts left Norval Friday evening and took with them some live chickens which they roasted for Sunday dinner. They returned home Monday at noon to attend the funeral of Cub Jackie Hamilton. The scouts eventful week-end was again saddened when their Scout Hall caught fire about 5 P.M. Monday evening. They have been restoring one of the rooms in the old public school and had it just about ready to paint. The Scouts and Cubs have been holding their meetings in the Hall and had all their equipment there.

A song recital will be given in the Presbyterian Church this Sunday evening, June 8th by Jeanne Pengelly, well known soprano soloist. She will be remembered by many in this district as adjudicator at the Peel Music Festival. The opportunity to hear a recital by an outstanding singer like Jeanne Pengelly does not often occur in a small village, so do not miss this chance to hear a soloist who has taken many leading opera roles.

Get well wishes are extended to Mr. Malcolm Wishart who is a patient in Toronto General Hospital.

The blaze, believed to have been started by firecrackers, started in a large pile of planks, boards, fence posts and debris which had been cleared out of the old school by the Scouts and was piled against the outside wall just below a window. The fire quickly spread inside the window and up the wall to the roof. The blaze was first spotted by Randy Fendley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fendley, caretaker of the school. A bucket brigade checked the fire a little until the Georgetown Fire Dept. arrived very promptly and quickly brought the fire under control. Damage to the Scout and Cub equipment was fortunately small, however, there was some smoke and water damage and the Cub wolf head was scorched.

A year ago on the 24th of May week-end a fire believed caused by a fire cracker caused some damage around the door and wall of the other room of the old school. We hope this will not be a yearly event of the 24th of May.

Scouts who attended the Campagna for the weekend were Brian and Blair Youmans, Brian Evans, Gary Murray, Nicky Brown, Martin Woollett, Scott Douglas and leaders Scout Master Ken Rider and assistant Douglas Fishburn.

The fire truck was down to the village on Friday evening May 21st on a false alarm fire call. Julian Reed, with several boys and men assisting him had been burning brush and debris at an old dump on the Reed property all day but when it became dark the fire, which was quite a large blaze, showed up quite clearly and startled some of the neighbours. Some of the staff of the Upper Canada College thought the fire was on their property when they first spotted it and called the fire department before realizing their mistake.

Norval Cubs had an enjoyable and entertaining evening on Wednesday night May 19th when Mr. Parker Williams showed his coloured slides of British Columbia to the pack. Mr. Williams is a mountaineer, skier and amateur geographer, and had many interesting slides. The Cubs are especially interested in British Columbia. Just now as they are to represent this province at the Cuboree to be held in the Georgetown Park from 2 to 4 P. M. on Saturday, June 8th. The Cubs

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